4 October 1977

TO:

Ben Evans

Executive Registry

FROM:

Karl Weber

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SUBJECT:

FY 1978 Underground Nuclear Test Program

- 1. Action Requested: That you sign the attached memorandum to Christine Dodson.
- 2. <u>Background</u>: The Nuclear Energy Division, OSI has reviewed the Energy Research and Development Administration's program for US underground nuclear tests. It recommends that CIA take the position that it has no objection to the proposals.

CIA is interested in being kept advised of the US test schedules so that a comparison of US and Soviet Test 25x activities can be made. In addition, knowledge of US testing is necessary to evaluate any Soviet

reactions to US events.

The letter to the President from Mr. Robert Fri, Acting Administrator, Energy Research and Development Administration recommending the FY 1978 underground nuclear test program (CRESSET) is attached for your information.

NSC review completed .

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NSC review completed

5 OCT 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the President

for National Security Affairs

ATTENTION : Christine Dodson

SUBJECT : FY 1978 Underground Nuclear

Test Program

REFERENCE : Your Memorandum Dated

September 29, 1977

CIA has no comments on the FY 1978 underground nuclear test program as proposed in the 16 September 1977 letter to the President from Mr. Robert Fri, Acting Administrator of the Energy Research and Development Administration.

/s/ B C. Evans,

B. C. Evans Executive Secretary

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September 29, 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Secretary of State The Secretary of Defense

ALSO:

The Director, Arms Control and

Disarmament Agency

The Acting Director, Office of

Management and Budget

The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

FY 1978 Underground Nuclear Test Program

The Acting Administrator, Energy Research and Development Administration, provided you a copy of his September 16, 1977 letter to the President, seeking approval of the FY 1978 Underground Nuclear Test Program (CRESSET). Request you provide your comments on that letter to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs by close of business October 6, 1977.

Christine Dodson
Staff Secretary

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